SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-56175; File No. SR-NASD-2007-055)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (n/k/a Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.); Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Interpretative Material 9216, Violations Appropriate for Disposition Under Plan Pursuant to SEC Rule 19d-1(c)(2)

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on July 24, 2007, the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been substantially prepared by NASD.³ The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed</u> <u>Rule Change</u>

NASD is proposing to amend Interpretative Material 9216 (Violations Appropriate for Disposition Under Plan Pursuant to SEC Rule 19d-1(c)(2)) ("IM-9216") to expand the list of violations eligible for disposition under NASD's Minor Rule Violation Plan ("MRVP"). The proposed rule change also would delete from IM-9216 references to NASD rules that have been rescinded. The text of the proposed rule change is available at NASD, the Commission's Public Reference Room, and http://www.finra.org.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

On July 26, 2007, the Commission approved a proposed rule change filed by NASD to amend NASD's Certificate of Incorporation to reflect its name change to the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or FINRA, in connection with the consolidation of the member firm regulatory functions of NASD and NYSE Regulation, Inc. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 56146 (July 26, 2007).